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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE EDUCATION
ACTIVITY (DODEA)

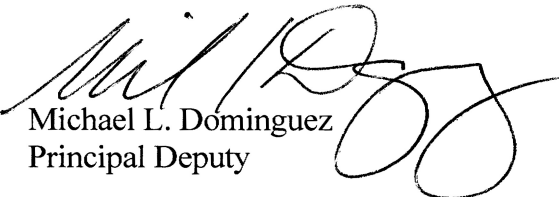
SUBJECT: Extension of Tuition Waiver for Minor Dependents of Members of Reserve Components Ordered to Active Duty Overseas to Attend Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS)

The Secretary of Defense is authorized by Section 1404(c) of Public Law 95-561, "Defense Dependents' Education Act of 1978," as amended, 20 U.S.C. 923(c), to identify classes of dependents who may enroll in DoDDS and to waive tuition for any of such classes. Through DoD Directive 5124.8, "Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness" dated July 16, 2003, paragraph 4.1.2.2, the Secretary has delegated to me the authority to prescribe policies for DoDEA.

I hereby designate for eligibility for enrollment on a space-available, tuition-free basis, the classes of minor dependents of reserve component members of the Armed Forces who are ordered to active duty under either section 12301 or 12302 of 10 U.S.C., for a period of 180 days or more to an overseas location, on an unaccompanied tour, on either a temporary duty or permanent duty change of station basis when: (1) there is a DoD dependents school in the assigned overseas location, and the minor dependent is transported to the assigned overseas location at the sponsor's expense; or (2) there is no DoD dependents school in the assigned overseas location, but the minor dependent was enrolled (and will remain enrolled) in a DoD dependents school, when the sponsor was ordered to active duty. All minor dependents shall be allowed to finish the school year if the activated reserve component member returns to an inactive status.

Please note that the availability of space in DoDDS varies from year to year and is not guaranteed. Commanders should ensure that enrollments are timely and do not disrupt the dependent's or school's educational program. This waiver does not apply to the eligibility classes of minor dependents of federal civilian employees called to active duty, which is governed by separate law.

Please ensure that the waiver is published in the Federal Register.


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